

## Message Text

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ACTION SY-05

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 /006 W  
-----092165 030556Z /15  
R 021940Z MAR 78  
FM AMEMBASSY PANAMA  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 5922

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SY CHANNEL

E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: ASEC  
SUBJECT: SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS FOR CUSTOMS 1A 26.00 (4)

REF: A. STATE 036133 (RECEIVED PANAMA MARCH 1, 1978)  
B. TELECON MR. ORZELL AND RSO MAY, MARCH 1, 1978

1. THE OFFICE, AS PRESENTLY STAFFED, CANNOT RPT NOT ADEQUATELY  
HANDLE THE EXTRA WORKLOAD. THE VOLUME AND MAGNITUDE OF THE CASES  
OF THIS TYPE ARE ILLUSTRATED IN A CASE CONDUCTED BY RSO,  
PANAMA, FOR CUSTOMS (SEE ROI--RHYNE, HARVEY G., JR. (CSC/OS  
(9)), NOVEMBER 23, 1976.

2. MOST OF THESE CASES WOULD BE ON PERSONNEL WHO WERE:  
A. BORN IN ZONE (VERIFICATION OF BIRTH);  
B. RESIDED IN ZONE (VERIFICATION OF RESIDENCE AND NEIGHBORHOOD);  
C. WENT TO SCHOOL IN ZONE AND ATTENDED COLLEGE (VERIFICATION OF  
EDUCATION);  
D. EMPLOYED IN ZONE (VERIFICATION OF EMPLOYMENT);  
E. MILITARY SERVICE (MOST SERVED MILITARY CAREER IN ZONE);  
F. REFERENCES AND DEVELOPED SOURCES (VERIFICATION--ALL LIVE IN  
ZONE).  
G. THEN DETAILED PERSONAL INTERVIEWS, SIMILAR TO THOSE REQUIRED  
BY SY.

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2. RSO OFFICE CANNOT RPT NOT COPE WITH EXTRA WORK.

3. RSO HAS DISCUSSED THE PROBLEM WITH POST OFFICIALS AND ALL AGREE  
WITH CUSTOMS SENDING AGENTS TO ZONE AREA TO CONDUCT THEIR EXTENSIVE  
BACKGROUND INVESTIGATIONS. RSO ALSO DISCUSSED PROBLEM WITH CHIEF,  
CANAL ZONE CUSTOMS AND HE AGREES TO U.S. CUSTOMS AGENTS COMING

TO WORK IN ZONE, TEMPORARILY TO HANDLE THESE CASES.  
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## Message Attributes

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